

IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT APPLICATION**

In re Application of: **Merry, et al.**

Case: **8676/DISPLAY/AKT/RKK**

Serial No.: **10/821,723**

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Examiner: **George, Patricia Ann**

Group Art Unit: **1765**

Confirmation No.: **1522**

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-SITU FILM STACK PROCESSING**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 18, 2006**

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 18, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 18, 2007, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.